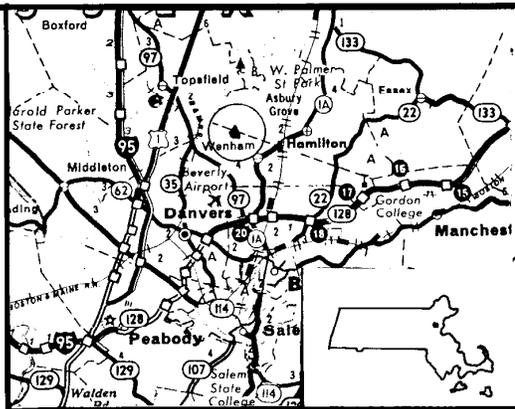
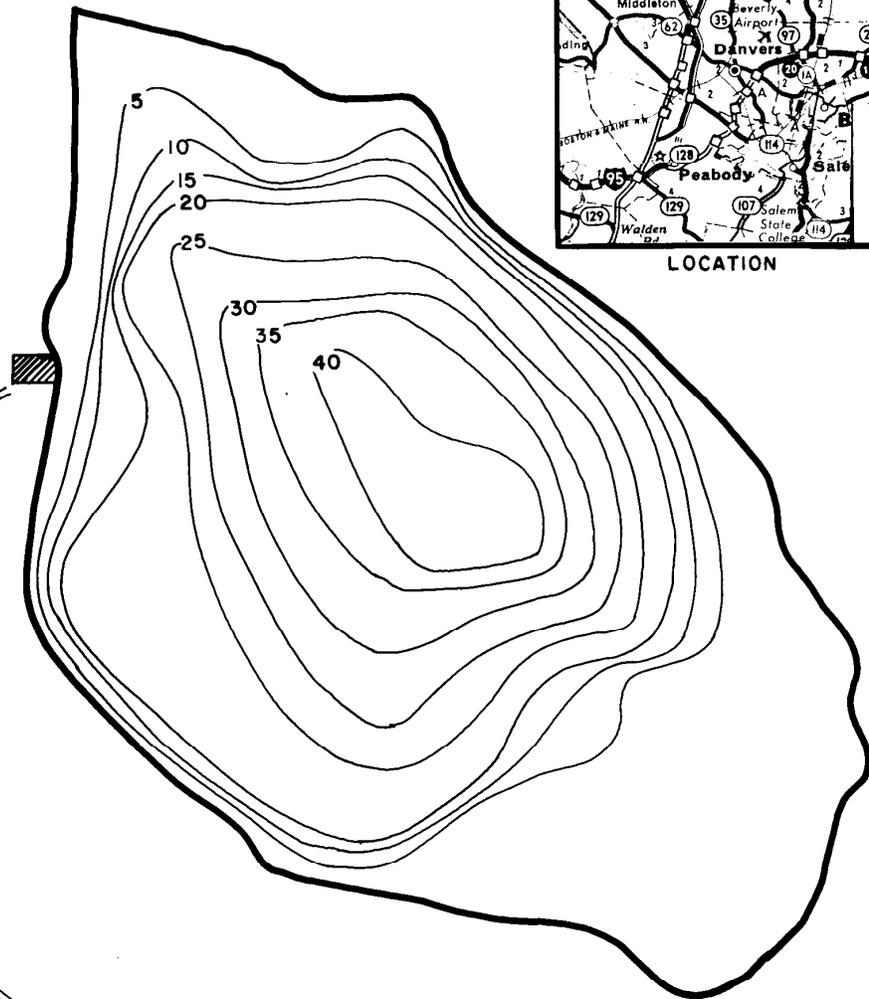


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LOCATION

BOAT RAMP



PLEASANT STREET

PLEASANT POND
WENHAM

43 ACRES

ARBOR STREET

CHERRY STREET

ROUTE 1A



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FEB. 1980

PLEASANT POND (Wenham / Hamilton)

General Information:

This small, deep, 43-acre great pond is located about three-quarters of a mile west of Route 1A on the Wenham-Hamilton town line. Maximum depth is 44 feet; average depth is 20 feet. Transparency is good to fair at eight feet. Most of the bottom is composed of mud, although there is some gavel and rubble along the shore. Aquatic vegetation is abundant around much of the shoreline, and particularly at the north and south ends of the pond. The shoreline is moderately developed except for the southeastern quadrant.

Access is provided by a town-owned boat ramp located on the northwestern shore. Parking space is virtually unlimited.

Fish Populations:

The last fisheries survey, conducted in 1979, recorded six species: largemouth bass, chain pickerel, pumpkinseed, bluegill, redbfin pickerel, and brown bullhead. Yellow perch and golden shiners are also known to be present. Trout stocked every spring and fall — rainbows, brookies and browns — are present throughout the year. This pond also receives broodstock salmon when they are available.

Fishing:

This is an excellent early season and fall trout pond, although pressure can get quite heavy in the spring. The deep water remains cold enough to carry trout from year to year and “holdovers” are well documented. Due to its relatively small size, anglers can thoroughly cover this pond in a day. Keep prospecting until the area and depth where the fish are holding is located.

The warm water fishery isn't all that good. Bass are not abundant and they are generally of small average size. There are some nice pickerel and yellow perch, however, and these provide good to moderate action for ice fishermen every winter.

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